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Majority prices were mostly unchanged when compared to a week earlier; trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, best for active features. Food service was light to good with best movement into fast food and catering businesses. Supplies of whole product and wogs were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was fair to good. Dark meat was close to short, breast items were adequate to well cleared, and wings were available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 27-JUN-2005.

(cents per lb)		US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	67.29	24
Chicago	65.00-68.00	68.01	41 :	68.18	78
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	66.81	18
Denver	80.50	80.32	15 :	79.57	17
Detroit	67.00	68.82	11 :	69.63	55
Los Angeles	81.00	80.54	61 :	74.13	157
New York	71.00-74.00	72.71	24 :	70.78	62
Philadelphia	70.50-72.00	71.25	12 :	69.02	25
Pittsburgh	70.00-73.00	72.00	11 :	72.69	58
St. Louis	67.25	66.74	20 :	66.66	40
San Francisco	81.50	81.78	34 :	81.08	71
Composite Weighted Average					
Loads	06/27/05	Change/Last Wk	06/20/05	06/28/04	
605	71.76	.04	71.72	82.26	

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	72.00-73.00	72.58	33
Central	56.00-74.00	68.16	71
Western	63.00-74.00	72.10	39
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	74.00-78.00	74.28	93

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 74.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,156	65.00-77.28	73.31

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	170.50	1,426
BREASTS - B/S	146.50	6,025
BREASTS - WHOLE	83.50	1,494
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.00	1,127
LEG QUARTERS	41.00	7,749
WINGS	83.00	3,099

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly fair to instances fairly good entering the week. Offerings were balanced to adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, dark meat cuts were in good balance to tight. Breast items were well cleared. Wings were available.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady. Demand following the weekend was fair to moderate, and improved in some areas, with optimism for upcoming holiday. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was light to occasionally good. Dark meat was balanced to short and moving well. Breast items were better balanced to close with improved movement, and wings were readily available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to light.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged when compared with last week's reported levels. Trading reported for this week's deliveries were mixed, regular commitments were at generally unchanged prices and new negotiations at unchanged to lower prices. Offerings were fully adequate overall, with heavy weights in the longest position. Buying activity, although fairly good, was somewhat disappointing for the combination first-of-the-month and up-coming holiday needs. Retailer demand was moderate to good best to cover planned feature activities. Dealer reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 67.43 down .50, with the volume reported down 3 percent to 28 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's final in all areas; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer trade sentiment was steady. Adequate offerings received light interest as regular commitments cover needs. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was light to good with best interest being in catering and fast food sectors. Floor stocks adequate; weights desirable. Supplies of dark meat cuts were barely adequate to tight with the balance of parts adequate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on leg items, and steady on the balance of parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fairly good over the weekend with offerings in close balance for early week business. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to occasionally heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 72 to 83 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Wings continue to be competitive priced and slow to clear. Balance of items were well clear to short of full needs.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	71-85
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was moderate to good entering the week. Offerings of breast items were well cleared. Legs, drums and thighs continued in tight supply. Wings were readily available. Retail and distributive movement was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast items, legs and drums. Wings were barely steady to weak and competitively priced.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		145	139.07	355,080
TENDERLOINS		125	122.82	83,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS		84-85	90.63	79,560
BREAST - LINE RUN		84	85.18	75,400
LEGS		56-57	58.79	106,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		42-43	43.03	254,600
DRUMSTICKS		55-56	60.93	73,760
THIGHS		51-52	55.44	64,920
B/S THIGHS		104-105	97.75	49,320
WINGS (WHOLE)		81-82	88.45	156,600
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	10.84	3,440
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		35-40	36.02	9,040
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		45-50	49.60	19,040

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,950	120.00-148.00	129-136	133.04
TENDERLOINS	509	115.00-167.00	120-122	123.22
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,073	39.00-42.00	39	39.52
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,532	40.75-43.00	41	41.23
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,240	49.00	-	49.00

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	Estimate (1,000)	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts	Actual (1,000)	Avg Wts
	06/27	06/23	06/23	06/20	06/16
Alabama	4,061	4,084	5.19	4,039	5.08
Arkansas	5,648	5,453	5.06	5,260	5.17
Delmarva	2,269	2,299	5.64	2,308	5.62
KY-LA-TN	2,346	2,340	4.84	2,195	4.80
Mississippi	3,090	2,768	5.51	3,055	5.38
North Carolina	2,525	2,528	6.42	2,482	6.32
Texas	2,490	2,526	5.12	2,543	5.13
Total	22,429	21,998	5.34	21,882	5.32
Mon	22,429(A)			21,882(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 27-Jun 2005

is estimated to be 34,498,000 up 2.19 percent from a week ago.

and up 10.5 percent from a year ago.

(last week 33,758,000 last year 31,228,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	925	128.00-190.00	130-135	133.36
TENDERLOINS	243	117.00-195.00	122-129	126.15
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	58	52.00-63.00	54-55	55.59
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	530	40.00-44.00	41-42	41.51
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,301	42.00-46.00	43-44	43.56
WINGS (WHOLE)	300	70.00-85.00	82-85	81.58
WINGS (CUT)	365	87.00-97.00	95-97	94.89
DRUMSTICKS	68	55.00-63.00	-	56.53
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JUNE 27, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
49.50 - 58.00	53.26	54.77

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 27-JUN-2005 TO 01-JUL-2005, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	122.00 - 145.00	131.00 - 139.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	78.00 - 99.50	82.00 - 86.00
LEGS	55.00 - 60.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	39.00 - 49.00	41.00 - 42.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	41.00 - 51.00	43.00 - 44.00
DRUMSTICKS	48.00 - 59.00	-
THIGHS	49.00 - 65.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	62.00 - 91.00	82.00 - 83.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 50.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	95-104
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	93.5-106.5

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	108
ICE PACK	105-107
ROASTERS 4# & UP	111
ICE PACK	108-111
HENS OVER 5#	95
ICE PACK	89-93
DUCKS	180-192

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JUNE 24, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.50	22.50-26.00	494,000	214,000
WTD AVERAGE	20.50	24.14		
15-20%				
RANGE	21.75-27.00	17.50-24.00	1,448,000	608,000
WTD AVERAGE	23.20	19.36		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JUNE 24, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	26.00	81,600	-
WTD AVERAGE		26.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	25.00-29.00	18.00-24.00	1,535,600	204,000
WTD AVERAGE	26.65	20.50		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly fair to moderate for the at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-JUN-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-15.75	12-14	13.01
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices on limited trading were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 27-JUN-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-16	11.75-13.75	12.65

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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